

KANSAS CITY -- The Kansas City Monarchs are all set to meet the Newark club in the annual Negro World series which will begin ^{Tuesday} ~~Monday~~ night, Sept. 17, at the Polo Grounds in New York.

The Monarchs won both halves of the Negro American league championship, thus eliminating a play-off to see who would clash with the Eastern outfit.

Satchel Paige was the hero for the Monarchs in the 1942 series when Kansas City defeated the Homestead Grays four games in succession and Manager Frank Duncan claims he has a stronger team for the annual fall classic this season.

Paige probably will be used strictly in a relief role in the 7-game set and chances are that he'll see plenty of action in that manner. Paige has had a successful mound season along with other Monarch hurlers and just recently he went nine innings against the Clowns in Sportsman's Park, St. Louis.

Clifford Johnson, a 22-year-old youngster, has been the real mound find for the Monarchs this season. After his release from the service, Johnson stepped into the lineup and proved to be a winner from the start. He had one of the best strikeout records in the loop.

Then there is Ted Alexander, Jim LaMarque, Ensloe Wylie, Hilton and Ford Smith, all capable chuckers who know their way around the mound and who can make life miserable for rival batters.

Manager Duncan's goal is the world's negro championship.

Johnnie Scott, left fielder, pounded the cover off the ball during the regular campaign and is looked upon to do the same in the coming series. Ted Strong and ~~Willard~~ Willard Brown are the other outfielders and both clout a long ball. Brown recently slapped two 3-run homers in the Polo Grounds and has been one of the best clutch-hitters on the club.

Othello Renfro, second baseman, and Jim Green, played with the west in the annual East--West game. Renfro is a brilliant fielder and gets the ball away fast on a double killing. Jim Hamilton will do the shortstopping. He joined the club toward the end of the season, being obtained from the Pacific coast and he fit right in with the winning Monarch machine.

Herb Souell will be stationed at the hot corner and Buck O'Neil will be at his familiar first base post.

The Monarchs will have five .300 hitters in the lineup.

Souell will lead off and will be followed by Renfro.

Then four .300 hitters in succession will face the Newark pitchers. They are Scott, Strong, Brown and O'Neil and